

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE Foreign-Trade Zones Board (B-69-2016)

Foreign-Trade Zone (FTZ) 27 – Boston, Massachusetts
Notification of Proposed Production Activity
Claremont Flock, a Division of Spectro Coating Corporation
(Textile Flock)
Leominster, Massachusetts

Claremont Flock, a Division of Spectro Coating Corporation (Claremont Flock), submitted a notification of proposed production activity to the FTZ Board for its facility in Leominster, Massachusetts within Subzone 27N. The notification conforming to the requirements of the regulations of the FTZ Board (15 CFR 400.22) was received on October 13, 2016.

Claremont Flock already has authority to produce textile flock using acrylic and rayon tow within Subzone 27N. The current request would add polyester tow as a material/component to the scope of authority. Pursuant to 15 CFR 400.14(b), additional FTZ authority would be limited to the specific foreign-status material/component described in the submitted notification (as described below) and subsequently authorized by the FTZ Board.

Production under FTZ procedures could exempt Claremont Flock from customs duty payments on polyester tow used in export production. On its domestic sales, Claremont Flock would be able to choose the duty rate during customs entry procedures that applies to textile flock (duty-free) for polyester tow (duty rate 7.5%). Customs duties also could possibly be deferred or reduced on foreign-status production equipment.

Public comment is invited from interested parties. Submissions shall be addressed to the Board's Executive Secretary at the address below. The closing period for their receipt is [INSERT DATE 40 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

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A copy of the notification will be available for public inspection at the Office of the Executive

Secretary, Foreign-Trade Zones Board, Room 21013, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution

Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230-0002, and in the "Reading Room" section of the Board's website,

which is accessible via www.trade.gov/ftz.

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